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Assumption School's eighth grade students spent a special day learning life lessons in a Junior Achievement program specially designed for middle school children. Mrs. Alda Smith (far left) was assisted by volunteer Stephen Pedneault, CPA, FCPA, CFF and CFE, (far right) principal and founder of Forensic Accounting Services, LLC located in Glastonbury.

## Assumption School's Junior Achievers Learn Life Skills

Each year, eighth grade students at Assumption School benefit from the expertise and guidance of Junior Achievement's middle school program that reinforces the value of workforce readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy. Students are introduced to many economic concepts and useful facts about the working world.

This year was no exception. Stephen Pedneault, principal and founder, Forensic Accounting Services, LLC, in Glastonbury, assisted eighth grade teacher, Mrs. Alda Smith to complete the program in a day long seminar held for the school's twenty-two eighth graders.

The middle grade programs helps students make difficult decisions about how to best prepare for their educational and professional future. The programs supplement standard social studies curricula and develop communication skills that are essential to success in the business world.

"This is the second year in a row that I had the pleasure of participating in the Junior Achievement program at Assumption School. It is always an inspiring and wonderful day teaching the students life lessons and decision-making skills that you know they will someday use. It is an honor to work with Mrs. Smith and Assumption School on this project and I look forward to volunteering my time and going back again next year," stated Stephen Pedneault. "Community service is an intrinsic part of my life's philosophy."

Junior Achievement's middle grade programs for students include economics and business curricula and a capstone experience. The dynamic interaction between the volunteer and students promotes active learning and brings theory to life.

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